

In the Matter of Federal-State                     )  
Joint Board on Universal                         ) CC Docket No. 96-45  
Service   )

The Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA) is unable to file comments in CC Docket No. 96-45 in response to Public Notice FCC 05J-1 by the September 16, 2005 deadline. The RCA is subject to open meetings requirements. As a result of previously existing travel plans, a quorum of RCA Commissioners will not be available to conduct a public meeting to consider draft comments prior to September 16, 2005. A public meeting with a quorum of Commissioners is scheduled for three business days after the comments are due. Comments will be filed as quickly as possible thereafter (September 21, 2005, or September 22, 2005). The RCA respectfully requests that the Federal Communications Commission consider this motion to accept late filed comments.

By: /s/  
Kate Giard, Chairman

September 9, 2005